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Long Beach Memorial Medical Center Supplemental Site Investigation and Cleanup

Dear Community Member or Interested Party:

This letter is to let you know about an ongoing site investigation at the Long Beach Memorial Medical Center (LBMMC). We would like to inform you about this investigation and address any concerns that you may have. We invite you to complete and return the enclosed survey with your concerns or comments. Your responses will help us determine the best way to keep the community informed about this project.

The 54-acre Long Beach Memorial Medical Center is located at 2801 Atlantic Avenue, California 90806-1737. LBMMC has proposed an expansion of the existing Miller Children's Hospital (MCH), and the construction of a new cancer center in the parking lot adjacent to Long Beach Boulevard and Spring Street. The new cancer center will be known as the Todd Cancer Institute (TCI). The expansion project and portions of the existing facility are located on an area listed as a closed landfill and is within an old oil-field.

The purpose of the investigation is to ensure that enough information is collected so that we are able to ensure protection of human health and the environment, both during construction activities, and after the new facilities are constructed. Previous site studies show the presence of petroleum-related compounds that may have been generated during the oil field operations.

Our agency is the Department of Toxic Substances Control. Our role is to protect human health and the environment by overseeing the investigation and any cleanup activity required. If a cleanup is required, we will send you more detailed information once the cleanup proposal is ready for public review. You will then have an opportunity to review and comment on the proposal before a final decision is made.

Thank you in advance for completing and returning the enclosed survey. If you have any questions please contact Project Manager Maryam Tasnif-Abbasi at (714) 484-5489 (email mtasnif@dtsc.ca.gov) or myself at (714) 484-5487 (email tchauvel@dtsc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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